

# COVID-19

Monday,  
April 6, 2020

## GOV. INSLEE PRESS CONFERENCE ON SCHOOL CLOSURES

Gov. Jay Inslee and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Chris Reykdal held a press conference today on school closures. Link to watch at right.

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## SNOHOMISH COUNTY OFFICE OF ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND RESILIENCY CHATBOT

A new chatbot has been launched on Snohomish County's website to help answer questions related to economic recovery and resiliency.

## SNOHOMISH COUNTY DAILY BRIEFING

### Governor Inslee Press Conference on Continuing School Closures

Gov. Jay Inslee announced at a press conference with State Superintendent of Public Instruction Chris Reykdal that in-person education at state K-12 schools is suspended for the remainder of the school year. Distance learning will continue.

To watch the press conference, please tune into [TVW](#).

### Snohomish County Accelerates Economic Recovery Efforts for Business and Workforce

Last Friday, Snohomish County Executive Dave Somers and County Council Chair Nate Nehring announced a whole-of-government, countywide approach to help local businesses and the workforce. This effort provides a seamless and innovative system synthesizing two key areas that are critical foundations for recovery: businesses and workforce. Building off a previous announcement establishing the Office of Economic Recovery and Resiliency and the Economic and Workforce Recovery Task Force, the Future Workforce Alliance will work hand-in-hand with these entities to ensure Snohomish County's economic response and recovery mechanisms are coordinated to be able to move swiftly and have the flexibility to adjust to the ever-evolving environment.

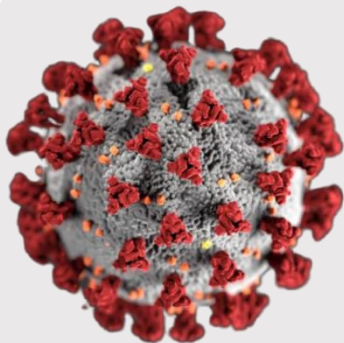
The Blue Ribbon Economic and Workforce Recovery Task Force will support Snohomish County's economic and workforce recovery from COVID-19, with its wide-ranging impacts on jobs and businesses. The Co-Chairs of the Task Force are Amy Drewel, Owner of Mosaic Insurance Alliance, LLC, and Ray Stephanson, former Mayor of Everett. Working closely with the Future Workforce Alliance, the goal of the Task Force is to stabilize Snohomish County's economy and set it on a trajectory for long-term recovery, resiliency, and growth.

Representing businesses large and small, Kim Williams, CEO of Providence Health and Services NW, will Chair the Future Workforce Alliance, and Amy Drewel will be Vice Chair. Together, they will lead a Board composed of private and public sector representatives that will focus on the immediate and long-term needs of businesses and their workers.

The Office of Economic Recovery and Resiliency will support the Future Workforce Alliance Board and Economic and Workforce Recovery Task Force. The Office website [www.snohomishcountywa.gov/Recovery](http://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/Recovery) contains information about COVID-19 resources for businesses, workers impacted by layoffs, and the public. An innovative Chat Box on the site that can answer common questions was developed in partnership with Microsoft and Zammo to assist with economic recovery efforts.

If businesses have additional questions about the Task Force, Board, or Office of Economic Recovery and Resiliency, they should contact the Office at 425-338-3800 or they can send an email to [SnohomishCountyRecovers@snoco.org](mailto:SnohomishCountyRecovers@snoco.org).

Please visit Snohomish County's webpage to read the [press release](#).



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## **SNOHOMISH COUNTY PARKS EXTENDS CLOSURES TO MAY 4, 2020**

To align with the extension of the "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" order, Snohomish County Parks has extended the date of park gate, bathroom, playground, and campground closures to May 4, 2020.

## **BOEING EXTENDS TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PRODUCTION OPERATIONS**

Yesterday, Boeing announced it will extend the temporary suspension of production operations at all Puget Sound and Moses Lake sites until further notice. More details at right.

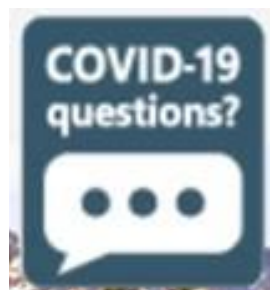
## **TRANSIT SERVICE UPDATES**

More details at right on service updates from Sound Transit, Community Transit, and Everett Transit.

## **Snohomish County Office of Economic Recovery and Resiliency Chatbot**

As mentioned in the press release above, Snohomish County launched a chatbot to help answer questions related to economic recovery and resiliency.

When visiting the [site](#), please click on the following icon to open the chatbot:



Welcome to the Snohomish County chatbot. I can help with questions about economic development, COVID-19, and economic recovery after COVID-19. If you're experiencing a life threatening emergency, call 911. I'm not a substitute for professional medical advice, diagnosis, or treatment. Always consult a medical professional for serious symptoms or emergencies. How can I help?

Just now



Type your message

## **Snohomish County Parks Extends Closures to May 4, 2020**

The date of park gate, bathroom, playground and campground closures has been extended to May 4, 2020 to align with the extension of Governor Inslee's "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" order. Events/gatherings remain canceled until May 20, 2020. Stay updated: [www.snocoparks.org](http://www.snocoparks.org).

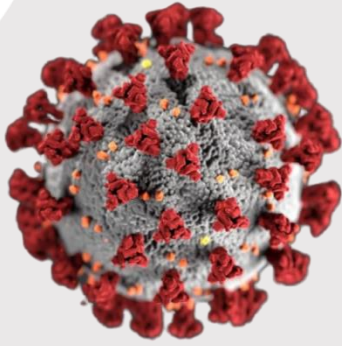
## **Boeing Extends Temporary Suspension of Production Operations**

Boeing is extending the temporary suspension of production operations at all Puget Sound area and Moses Lake sites until further notice. During the suspension, Boeing will continue to implement additional health and safety measures at its facilities to protect employees. These measures include new visual cues to encourage physical distancing, more frequent and thorough cleaning of work and common areas, and staggering shift times to reduce the flow of employees arriving and departing work, among many other improvements.

For more information please read Boeing's [news release](#).

## **Transit Service Updates**

Late last week, Sound Transit announced additional changes to their service throughout Puget Sound in response to an 85% reduction in ridership. Capacity on transit has been limited to a maximum of half the total number of seats in order to adhere to social distancing requirements. Community Transit and Everett Transit have also made



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## **CLOTH FACE MASKS NOW RECOMMENDED WHEN OUT IN PUBLIC SETTINGS**

Information from Washington State Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control is at right on when and how to wear face coverings in public settings. Also included are three links for how to make your own cloth face mask, including one requiring no sewing.

## **NEW DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DASHBOARDS MAKE COVID-19 DATA VISUAL**

Washington State Department of Health has changed how COVID-19 data appears on its website. Details and link at right.

## **DRIVER LICENSE EXPIRATION DATES EXTENDED 90 DAYS**

Department of Licensing (DOL) is now temporarily extending the expiration dates of driver licenses for those whose licenses are set to expire between April 3 and July 3. More details at right.

changes to their services. Click the links below to see what changes have been made by these transit operators.

[Sound Transit Service Changes](#)

[Community Transit Service Changes](#)

[Everett Transit Service Changes](#)

## **Cloth Face Masks Now Recommended When Out in Public Settings**

Washington State Department of Health and the CDC now recommend that people wear cloth face coverings when they are in public settings. This might include trips to the grocery store, pharmacy, hardware store, health clinic or similar places where you cannot maintain 6-feet of physical distance between people.

People with COVID-19 may not have any symptoms and not know they are infected. However, they can still transmit the infection.

This recommendation is not a substitute for existing guidance to maintain 6-feet of physical distance from non-household members and performing frequent hand hygiene with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer. Wearing cloth face coverings will not prevent spread of COVID-19 without these other protective measures.

This is not a mandate that you must wear a face covering. It is considered an additional layer of protection.

Read more [here](#).

[Advice](#) on how to wear a mask safely (World Health Organization):

- Before putting on a mask, clean hands with alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water.
- Cover mouth and nose with mask and make sure there are no gaps between your face and the mask.
- Avoid touching the mask while using it; if you do, clean your hands with alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water.
- Replace the mask with a new one as soon as it is damp and do not re-use single-use masks.
- To remove the mask: remove it from behind – do not touch the front of mask; discard immediately in a closed bin; clean hands with alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water.
- Wash your cloth face covering after each use, or at least daily. You can wash them in the washing machine, with detergent and hot water and dried on a hot cycle.

[DIY Mask from University of Minnesota](#)

[DIY Mask from The New York Times](#)

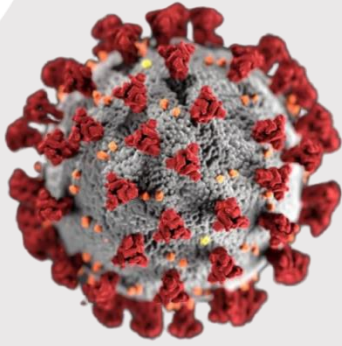
[No Sew Mask from the U.S. Surgeon General](#)

## **New Department of Health Dashboards Make COVID-19 Data Visual**

The Department of Health (DOH) has changed how COVID-19 information appears on its [website](#). It is now in data dashboards with new visualizations and metrics. Keep checking the [website](#) — DOH aims to update it every day with new information that is accurate and complete as of 11:59 p.m. the previous day.

## **Driver License Expiration Dates Extended 90 Days**

Governor Inslee has taken action to allow the Department of Licensing (DOL) to [temporarily extend the expiration dates of driver licenses](#). The DOL will send letters to persons whose driver license is set to expire in



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## FOREFRONT SUICIDE PREVENTION

Link for the University of Washington's Forefront Suicide Prevention resources is at right.

## SNOCO GIFT CARD CHALLENGE

See the details at right for the SnoCo Gift Card Challenge launched by Economic Alliance Snohomish County.

## CONFIRMED AND PROBABLE CASES OF COVID-19 IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Please note: The statistics are also available on the [Snohomish Health District website](#).

## ESSENTIAL LINKS AND PHONE NUMBERS FOR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION

- [Snohomish Health District](#)
- [Snohomish County](#)
- [Snohomish County COVID-19 Response & Community Resource Hub](#)
- [Washington State](#)
- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
- Snohomish County COVID-19 Phone Line: **425-388-3944**
- Washington State COVID-19 Hotline: **1-800-525-0127**, then press #

the next 90 days (April 3 through July 3). These card holders expiration date will be extended for 90 days.

## Forefront Suicide Prevention

University of Washington's Forefront Suicide Prevention program has pulled together suicide prevention resources for a variety of audiences during COVID-19. For more information please visit Forefront's [webpage](#).

## SnoCo Gift Card Challenge

Join [Economic Alliance Snohomish County](#) in supporting local small businesses in the [SnoCo Gift Card Challenge](#) on Friday, April 10! EASC challenges each of you to purchase at least one gift card from a local small business in our community!

Please invite other community members to this challenge.

If you are a local business and offer gift cards, please tag your business! If you tag @EconAllianceSC and the business you are supporting, we will enter you in for a chance to win a gift card!

## Confirmed and probable cases of COVID-19 in Snohomish County (as of April 6, 2020)

Case Count	Last Updated: 1:30 p.m.
Confirmed	1,603
Probable	78
Deceased	58

Jurisdiction	Last Updated: 1:30 p.m.
Arlington	74
Bothell*	126
Brier	8
Darrington	<5
Edmonds	164
Everett	478
Gold Bar	<5
Granite Falls	13
Index	0
Lake Stevens	62
Lynnwood	252
Marysville	138
Mill Creek	25
Monroe	38
Mountlake Terrace	57
Mukilteo	39
Snohomish	87
Stanwood	64
Sultan	<5
Tulalip	7
Unknown/Other	24
Woodinville*	9
Woodway	5

Numbers less than 5 are suppressed to protect medical privacy. Not all cases are within city limits and totals may include nearby unincorporated Snohomish County. Unknown includes cases still under investigation.

\*Counts are for portions in Snohomish County only.